REMARKS

Claims 9-16 have been canceled, leaving only allowed claims 1-8 in the application.

The canceling of claims 9-16 is without prejudice to applicant's right to file a divisional to prosecute such claims.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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